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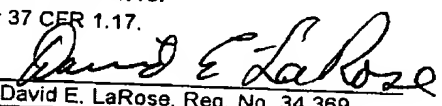
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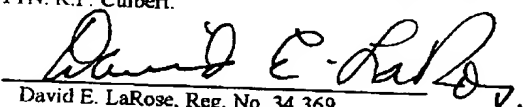
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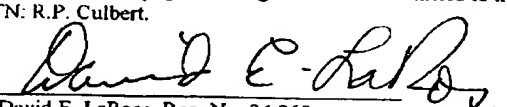
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 13, 2003, applicants respectfully request entry and consideration of the following:

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 2-7 and 13-20 are in the case. Applicants provided additional evidence in support of their contention that U.S. Patent No. 6,402,301 to Powers et al. is not prior art with respect to the invention. That evidence was filed on February 6, 2003. A copy of the declaration, notebook pages, and photomicrographs is attached hereto. This response is submitted to further clarify misconceptions and misstatements with regard to the remaining prior art references.

In the Office Action, Claims 19 and 6 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,402,301 to Powers et al., in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,454,928 to Rogers et al. and as further evidenced by U.S. Patent No. 5,105,588 to Verley et al. and U.S. Patent No. 6,045,214 to Murthy et al. Claim 4 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over the '301 patent to Powers et al. in view of the '928 patent to Rogers et al., the '588 patent to Verley et al., the '214 patent to Murthy et al., and further in view of U.S. Patent No.

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